

MUNICIPAL DISTRICT BONNYVILLE NO. 87

COUNCIL HIGHLIGHTS June 12, 2013

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☐#1 Banner Building Year – The Municipal District of Bonnyville is experiencing a building boom. In the month of May, 144 Development Permits and 19 new Residential Building Permits were issued in the M.D., with a month end value of \$36,363,811.00. Year-to-date housing starts include 96 Single Family Dwellings and 14 Mobile Homes.

☐#2 Transportation and Utilities Update – Road Construction Crews have completed approximately one mile of Township Road 624 and will be moving to Township Road 622 when completed. Part of the crew has been working on the clean-up on Township Road 600, with just the reshaping left on the work order. The Deep Patch Pothole Crew will be up and running this week on Township Road 644. The MG 30 Crew has completed the reapplication process for the roads from last year and will be starting on the new roads this week. The Road Oiling Crews have completed three miles of Dupre Road, three miles of Township Road 594 and half mile of Range Road 484 at Beacon Corner. Crews are currently working on Lessard Road, Township Road 604 and Range Road 472A. Paving will start on Gurneyville Road this week. Work on Fort Kent streets has started, with completion slated for July 15 (weather permitting). The contractor will start crack sealing on La Corey North Resource Road this week. Council approved the construction of a 200-metre access road to NW 15-62-1-W4M. The road will be scheduled into a future road priority list. Council approved the transfer of an approach placement just outside the Village of Glendon boundaries to allow for access of large farm machinery onto the quarter section. Staff will transfer the material from the old approach location to the new one and supply two, five-metre culverts. Deadline for completion is mid-August.

☐#3 Public Safety Update – Patrol Officers are busy keeping up with their ongoing checks of problem traffic areas in various Wards. The Public Safety Department continues to field complaints regarding such concerns as dogs at large and dogs chasing livestock. Officers are patrolling construction zones to ensure that traffic adheres to the speed signs. Campgrounds are being checked on a regular basis in response to complaints about loud noise, quads and vehicle parking. Unsightly property complaints are being processed as they come in, with property owners given either 14 or 30 days to rectify the situation. Industry Patrol Officers are patrolling roads where residents have expressed concerns over high volumes and speeds of industry traffic. Officers have started their morning shift at 4:00 a.m. on the La Corey North Resource Road to ensure they are present during the peak traffic hours.

☐#4 Agricultural News – Roadside mowing has been completed in the Moose Lake and Muriel Lake subdivisions and staff are finishing up on the roads south of the Town of Bonnyville. Regular weed inspections are being conducted at all oilfield sites for the presence of Scentsless Chamomile and other noxious weeds. Weed inspectors are doing educational visits in a couple of residential and industrial subdivisions that have a problem with Oxeye Daisy and Himalayan Balsam. Farmers can pick up two percent

liquid Strychnine for Richardson Ground Squirrel control at the M.D. Agricultural office from now until the gophers hibernate in the late summer. The M.D. recommends producers bait in the spring to early summer for better bait uptake. The M.D. is also selling a new dry bait to acreage owners that has worked well and has not harmed any pets.

☐#5 Funding Support – Riverhurst Community Society received its annual \$35,000 Operating Grant. North Shore Heights/Shay Cho Bay Community Society received its annual \$5,000 Operating Grant. Council approved a \$250 sponsorship for the Bonnyville Senior’s Week Fish Fry. Council purchased a \$500 Hole sponsorship for the MLA Genia Leskiw United Way Charity Golf Classic on July 21 at the Grand Centre Golf Club.

☐#6 Briefs, Briefs, Briefs – Rachelle Rupp was appointed the Returning Officer for the Municipal Election in October and Council approved the provision for an advance vote.

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